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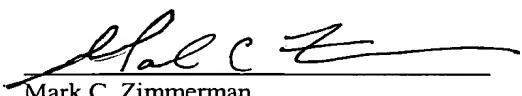
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AMENDMENT AAssistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of August 16, 2000, please amend the above
identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 10-13, 16 and 17 as follows:

10. (Once Amended) A method of assembling a motor shaft with a motor
component, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a shaft extension having a first end, wherein the first end has a first surface
geometry and wherein the motor shaft has a second surface geometry adapted to mate with
the first surface geometry of the first end of the shaft extension;

[fitting a first end of a] interengaging the first surface geometry of the shaft extension
[into an end of the motor shaft] with the second surface geometry of the motor shaft so that
the shaft extension rotates with the motor shaft;